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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Preliminary Amendment;
- 2. PTO Credit Card Payment (Form 2038) in the amount of \$50.00 to cover the extra claim fee; and
- 3. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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In advance of prosecution, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. This Preliminary Amendment is provided in the following format:

(A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;

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It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net

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